17th July, keeping company till the loth August, when they were scattered by tempests so that by the end of August all but 48 had been lost, 5000 men being thought to have perished in the ships cast away The King of Spain's treasure is all landed at Havannah to be sent home in frigates in January

zoth November THE DEATH OF SIR CHRISTOPHER HATTON

This day Sir Christopher Hatton, the Lord Chancelloi, died at Ely House in Holborn of a flux of his urine, aggravated with grief of mind because the Queen somewhat vigorously exacted of him a great sum of money collected of tenths and first fruits, whereof he had charge, and which he had hoped, m regard of the favour he was in with her, that she would have forgiven him Neither could she once having cast him down with a harsh word raise him up again, though she visited and endeavoured to com-fort him He was reputed to be a man of pious nature, a great reliever of the poor, of singular bounty and munificence to students and learned men (for which reason those of Oxford chose him as their Chancellor of their University), and one who in the execution of the office of Lord Chancellor could satisfy his conscience in the constant integrity of his endeavours to do all with right and equity

2ist November THE PROCLAMATION AGAINST JESUITS

The Proclamation declaring the great troubles intended against the realm by seminary priests and Jesuits is now pub-* hshed though dated i8th October and printed some time since The dangers and preparations made against the realm by the Pope and the King of Spain, and by English fugitives beyond the seas, are set forth and severer measures to be

taken

' And before all things, We do first require of the Ecclesias-
tical State., that the like diligence be used by the godly ministers
of the Church, by their diligent teaching and example of life to
retain Our People steadfastly in the profession of the Gospel and
their duty to Almighty God and Us, as it is seen a few capital
heads of treason are continually occupied within their Seminaries
in withdrawing a multitude of ignorants to their mchantments

* And secondly, for having sufficient forces in readiness by Sea,
We hope by God's goodness and with the help of our subjects